

THE ODD FELLOWS.

Meeting of the Grand Lodge of the United States. The National Grand Lodge, I. O. of O. F., met at Irving Hall, New York City, yesterday, for the first time in the history of its organization.

I was directed to issue a circular to the Order, calling their attention to the mistakes and necessities of our brethren in the South, and soliciting aid and contributions for their benefit.

On the 15th of February, 1867, I received from P. G. Sire Nicholson, Chairman of the Monument Committee, a surrender of the monument to the B. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, the monument being finished, and the entire business of the committee closed up.

At the last session of this B. W. Grand Lodge I was also authorized and directed to appoint and commission a special commission to visit the Lower Provinces and Canada East, with full powers to request the Lodges, to institute new ones and to take such steps and resort to such measures as would be likely to revive our Order in those jurisdictions.

On the 3d of September I received from him a full and complete report of his proceedings, showing conclusively to my mind that I had appointed the right man for the position. His reception among the brethren who belong with us was flattering to him as a brother and as a Commissioner from this body.

In conclusion, Representatives, I extend to you all a fraternal greeting, and in proper season, where we all meet to legislate for an Order which is recognized by the great and good as one productive of happiness and welfare to the human race.

THE RICHMOND ELECTIONS.

Vote on the Subscription of \$2,000,000 to the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad—Difficulty with the Registrars—General Schofield Interferes and the Election Progresses.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—The following intelligence was received from Richmond, Va., today: The question to whether the vote on the subscription of \$2,000,000 by the city of Richmond to the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad should be conducted under the laws of the State of Virginia, or under the Reconstruction act of Congress, caused some delay in opening the polls this morning.

On receiving this despatch the conductor of the election refused to proceed until the registry lists were furnished. The registrars refused to provide them with copies of the lists unless ordered to do so by the election board.

Suit About a Wedding Cake. A singular case recently came before the Sheriff's Court of London. The plaintiff baked a wedding cake for the defendant, and the latter would not pay him. In his cross-examination the aggrieved baker said: "I was in the service of Mr. Newcomb as a journeyman at the time. He is a baker and pastry-cook. I made the cake in his time. He did not order me to make it, but the lady to whom he was about to be married did. I found some of the things such as four pounds of icing sugar and a quart and a half of brandy."

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FIFTH EDITION. THE MASSACHUSETTS TEMPERANCE CONVENTION.

Speech of Hon. Henry Wilson. Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc.

WORCESTER, Mass., Sept. 17.—The State Temperance Convention met in Mechanics' Hall at 10 o'clock this morning, there being a fair attendance, although the hall was by no means full. The Convention was called to order by William B. Spooner, Esq., of Boston, and temporarily organized by the choice of Rev. M. W. Parkhurst, of Worcester, as Chairman, and J. M. Barry, of Lynn, as Secretary, pro tem. Mr. Parkhurst briefly addressed the Convention.

The Convention then permanently organized by choosing Rev. Dr. Eddy, of Boston, President, and a large number of Vice-Presidents. Dr. Eddy, on taking the chair, made a strong speech, declaring that no man who was not pledged for prohibition can occupy the gubernatorial seat. Hon. Henry Wilson was then introduced, and received with great enthusiasm. He declared that he did not know how others felt in regard to granting a license to sell liquor, but it filled him with horror. The idea that men are to be authorized by law to sell intoxicating drinks is an awful thought, and it shocked and alarmed him.

Remarkable Discoveries—Researches Among the Bones of Dead Centuries.

From the Nashville (Tenn.) Press and Times. It may not be generally known that the ground on which the city of Nashville now stands was once the site of an ancient and populous town, yet such is supposed to be the fact. Some of the most interesting antiquities of our State are found along the lower course of Stone river, but a few miles from Nashville. A wide area of country there is covered thickly with thousands of graves of now forgotten people.

But a few days ago several gentlemen made some researches in this region, and found their labors richly rewarded by some striking discoveries. At a place on Schell's farm, near Spring Hill, they found a mound of considerable height, and perhaps forty feet in diameter, which proved upon examination to be nothing less than a vast mausoleum of the dead. The graves were probably made of flat rocks, symmetrically joined together, and three tiers deep from the base of the mound to its apex. Bones were found in a remarkable state of preservation, together with pottery and shells. Very large ornaments have been dug out in this locality, and were found only in the Gulf of Mexico.

HEARINGS AT THE CENTRAL STATION.—Before Recorder Eneu, at 2 o'clock to-day, Thomas Jones was arraigned upon the charge of attempting to enter the room of Charles McShane. This gentleman testified that he was rooming in No. 91, at the American Hotel; the defendant occupied No. 92; about 4 o'clock this morning he was awakened by hearing a noise at his door; he jumped up, and found a man, who pulled a piece of wire out of the key-hole; he then sprang into the entry, and found the door of the defendant's room open. He lightly, McShane admitted the defendant's attempt to enter his room; he denied it. An officer was called in, and he was arrested. Detective Levy examined Jones' carpet bag, and found a piece of wire lying in the piece found in the door by Mr. McShane. The defendant was held in \$2500 bail to answer.

Abel Adams, Esq., of Roxbury, Mass., left property to the value of \$400,000. Of this he gave \$100,000 to his widow, and \$50,000 to his adopted daughter, Abby L. Adams; \$5000 to his sister, \$2000 to Ralph Waldo Emerson, and \$1000 to each of Mr. Emerson's children. To the Home for Aged Men in Boston he gives \$25,000; to the Sailors' Snug Harbor, \$15,000; Managers of the Fort Society of Boston, \$5000; Boston Aylum and Farm School, \$5000.

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